## Chap News

Chap, March 28.— Farmers in this section are busy plowing during the pretty weather.

Ray Ferguson has returned to Camp Meade, Md., after spending a week with home people.

Mrs. Thornton Carter, Jr., of Lynchburg spent the week-end with home people, Mr. and Mrs. Otey Jones.

Mrs. S. B. Fore and Mrs. Mary Wood have been sick with colds. Those visiting in the home Sunday were Mr and Mrs. Otey Jones and daughter, Hilda; Mrs. Shirley Reynolds and baby, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Pugh and daughter, Audrey, Misses Louise and Minnie Smith, Albert Baron, of Camp Pickett, and Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Mann.

Wesley Dalkill has returned home from the hospital.

Lloyd Lewis is on the sick list. Also, John Woolridge has been sick.

A fire broke out on the highway near Dean Pugh's Monday, March 19. It destroyed the old home of the late Jim Simms and burned over several acres of land.

Mrs. Annie Hudnall, of Spring Mill visited here Sunday.


**EHRICH'S**

LYNCHBURG, VA.

OPTOMETRIST OPTICIAN

Eyes Examined—Glasses Fitted

Send Us Your Repair Work

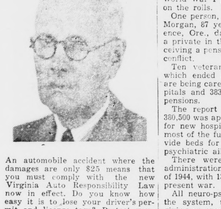
PRESCRIPTION WORK

A SPECIALTY

WE PAY POSTAGE

1137 MAIN ST.


RUINED BY $25!



An automobile accident where the damages are only $25 means that you must comply with the new Virginia Auto Responsibility Law now in effect. Do you know how easy it is to lose your driver's permit and license tags? Protect your self by securing liability insurance through W. S. TAYLOR, Agent, STATE FARM MUTUAL, world's largest auto insurer. Appomattox, Va.

## *Pensions Rose 10 Millions in 1944*

### *203,519 Disabled Receive About $30 Monthly.*

WASHINGTON. — Pensions for soldiers disabled in the present war cost $40,913,789 more in 1944 than in 1943, the veterans administration noted recently.

At the end of 1944, the administration said in its annual report, 208,519 veterans of the present war were getting pensions for service-connected disabilities, approximately 7 per cent of them totally disabled. The average pension is $30.67 monthly.

Compensation was being paid on June 30, 1944, to 337,311 veterans suffering from direct or indirect service disabilities. Compensation to that group during the entire year totaled $162,666,622, a drop of, approximately $9,360,000 from the previous year. There were 4,104 fewer World War I pensions of that type on the rolls.

One person, Mrs. Esther Ann Hill Morgan, 67 years old, of Independence, Ore., daughter of John Hill, a private in the War of 1812, is receiving a pension as a result of that conflict.

Ten veterans of the Civil war, which ended nearly 80 years ago, are being cared for in veterans' hospitals and 383 of them are getting pensions.

The report mentioned that $49,-300,500 was appropriated during 1944 for new hospital construction, with most of the funds to be used to provide beds for veterans with neuropsychiatric ailments.

There were 62,809 veterans in administration hospitals at the close of 1944, with 13,707 of them from the present war.

All neuro-psychiatric hospitals in the system, the report adds, are giving or preparing to give electric shock therapy in preference to insulin shock therapy.

Yank planes pilots raids on Formosa.


**DEPOSITORS INDUSTRIAL LOAN BANK**

Lynchburg, Va.

Eleventh and Main Streets

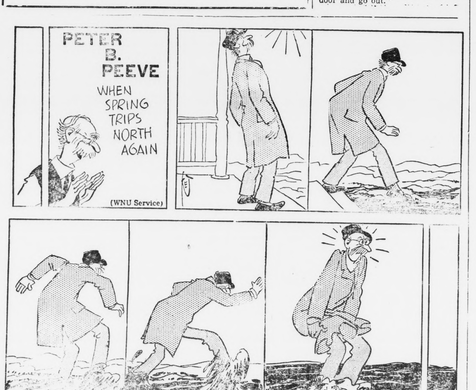
MEMBER FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

W. B. Henson, President F. E. Evans, Asst. Cashier
Mosby G. Perrow, Jr., Vice-Pres. J. B. Dey, Director
F. C. Horton, Cashier P. B. Winfree, Jr., Director

Every Consideration Consistent With Sound Banking

BUY WAR BONDS

Interest Paid on Savings Deposits


## Chutist Finds Thrill in Leap

### Tells of Thoughts and Fears Experienced in Making His First Jump.

CHICAGO.—In a letter written to Dr. and Mrs. Charles S. Phalen of Scarta, Wis., their son, Lieut. Charles Phalen, gives a realistic recital of the thoughts and apprehensions in the mirf of a paratrooper as the moment nears for his first leap. The letter follows:

"I'm now a paratrooper — complete with boots, wings, and insignia. And a large hunk of humbleness, for I'm with the greatest guys in the world—the 101st air borne division.

"Parachute jumping is the biggest thrill you could imagine. On the ground you strap on your main chute, emergency chute, and equipment. You then line up in 'sticks,' which are units of men who jump together. I am the first man on No. 1 in my stick.

"Walking to the plane is difficult because of the tightness and weight of your paraphernalia. The stick engineers an inverse order so that you find yourself in the seat next to the door.

**Pays to Be Smart.**

"With a roar and a few bumps you are in the air. We glance out the door and everything is spread out far below you. The noise precludes casual conversation.

"You have been smart and put your cigarets on top of your reserve, so you pass the pack down the line. Everyone lights up and smokes automatically and with no discernible enjoyment, puffing very fast.

"Then the red light by the door flicks on and the butterflies start fluttering down deep in your stomach. Two minutes to go!

"You about 'Stand up!' and they all rise. 'Hook up!' and everyone hooks his static line over the anchor wire which runs along the ceiling of the plane. (The static line pulls the chute open and then snaps —remaining attached to the plane.)

"'Check your equipment!' — and despite the fact you've gone over it a dozen times you check it again.

"'Sound off for equipment check!' They start 'No. 18 O. K.' 'No. 17 O. K.' and so on down the line.

"'Everybody O. K.?'

"'O. K.!' they roar back, for the louder you yell, the less the little butterflies are noticed.

"'Close up and stand in the door!' —and there you are! No. 1 man. Your hands are on the sides of the door, your face is in the slipstream, your feet are braced, the roar is overwhelming, and there's only space beneath you.

**Waiting for the Signal.**

"The seconds slip by. The butterflies are back in full force, but you are too tensed up, waiting for the signal, to pay much attention to them.

"The green light flashes and you're gone. A terrific rush of wind, the world revolves once, a terrific jerk—and suddenly everything is deathly quiet.

"You shove your helmet back from over your eyes and look up to see the most beautiful sight you'll ever see. Your canopy is open.

"Next you check the ground to catch the direction of drift, and do a body turn to line you face in the same direction. At first you seem to be floating lazily but soon that ground begins to rush up mighty fast.

"Fifty feet. Twenty-five feet. Knees flexed, feet clamped together. And then you hit, tumble, and you're down! You've been jarred up harder on a football field.

"That's all there is to jumping. The whole thing boils down to whether you can step up to that door and go out."




## Peru's Forgotten City Now Feeling War Boom

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Iquitos, Peru, is no longer the "forgotten city."

Iquitos (population 34,600) is less than 500 miles from the Pacific as the crow flies. Yet it used to take a month to cover the distance. Freight from Lima had to go 2,950 miles through the Panama canal, down the Atlantic coast and up the Amazon.

Now, as Peru's isolated "Amazon empire" opens up rapidly because of war demands for rubber, rotenone, quinine and other products, Iquitos is only five days from Lima—two days by bus over the new Pucallpa highway and three days by river steamer.

Planes flying from Lima in five hours land at Iquitos several times a week.

## $250 Handkerch'ef Just For Show; Not for Blow

WASHINGTON.—There's a handkerchief crisis in Washington.

There are plenty for show but none for blow.

A quick survey of six drug-stores, two "five and tens," three men's haberdasheries and a department store disclosed that meager-priced bonbons cost gone the way of alarm clocks and oysters.

The cheapest was 50 cents and from there the price went up . . . way up to $250 for a slinky looking imported lace job.

Those $250 things, they're "just to look at," said the girl clerk.

## 728,400 War Veterans Placed Through USES

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The United States employment service found jobs for more than twice as many veterans in 1944 as in 1943. In the 11 month period from January to November last year, the war manpower commission reported, job placements totaled 728,400 compared with 317,600 in the same period of 1943. Veterans of the present war accounted for about 75 per cent of the total.

Most experts believe that revolution unlikely inside Germany.

Patton's Third Army is making rapid gains inside Germany.

Austrians are avoiding service in Volkssturm.

Some large quantities of German currency have been captured.

Renew your subscription.


ORGANIZED IN 1865

THE

**First National Bank of Lynchburg**

OFFICERS

A. D. Gwe. ..... President
J. T. Ngell, Jr. ..... Vice-President
J. L. Jones ..... Vice-President
L. Nicholas ..... [illegible]
W. Horton ..... Assistant Cashier
S. O. Morrisse ..... Assistant Cashier

RESOURCES: TEN MILLION DOLLARS

Member Federal Reserve System. Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

THE OLD BIG, STRONG BANK



**GET IN THE SWING— Cut Pulpwood Now!**

VICTORY PULPWOOD CAMPAIGN


From where I sit ... *by* Joe Mar

### Bert Loses the War Single-Handed

Bert Childer's house burned down last week, and the only good thing that came out of it was it cured him of swearing. Bert just couldn't think of words to fit the occasion, so he just gave up.

Bert admits it was his own fault. Started with a grease fire which he thought he had under control, and when he turned his back a minute for a breathless spell, the fire sprang up twice as large. By the time the firemen arrived there wasn't much that they could do.

From where I sit, then, it seems that Bert's experience could be of real value to get the fire out of the war under control . . . we can relax a little, maybe even buy a few more bonds, (Continued on page 8, column 1)

*No. 106 of a Series* *Copyright, 1944, United States Brewers Foundation*


**SMOKEY SAYS— Care will prevent 9 out of 10 forest fires!**

# FOREST FIRES

## ANOTHER ENEMY TO CONQUER

*Every year* America's forests and woodlands suffer an average of 210,000 fires. That's 575 a day . . . 575 without you slept last night!

*Every year* fires burn over 31,000,000 acres—more than in Yosemite National Park or the state of New York. *Every year* fires kill billions of little trees—tomorrow's timber—and enough big trees to build 215,000 five-room homes! *Every year* vital watersheds are crippled, hundreds of thousands of man-days of labor wasted, nature's beauty scarred.

*Startling facts*—but no more startling than those of these forest fires. 9⅞ are caused by honest, faithful American citizens, like you! One word—CARELESSNESS explains the wholesale ravage of America.

It's time—NOW—to put an end to this crime against you and your friends and help! Please read this page . . . read it again . . . remember it . . . tell others about them. Then be careful in all forest and woodland areas. Do your part to help prevent wast


**Peters End Laboratory**

Accredited

Blood Tested Baby Chicks

Sexed Chicks If Desired

**TRAIL'S END LABORATORY BLOOD TESTED CHICKS**

Save yourself that up hill climb. Start on the top by buying Trail's End superior chicks. Large healthy, vigorous, blood tested chicks from extra large high egg blooded breeders. Years of unequalled blood lines used in our breeding program. White Leghorns, Barred Rocks, New Hampshire Reds, R. I. Reds. A flood of testimonials for years we believe is really the best proof of results.

Our low prices will surprise you. Please write for free record of results, true facts, very low prices. Sexed or as hatched chicks. Cockerels, $2.95 per 100 and up. Chicks, $7.95 per 100 and up.

Trail's End Poultry Farm
Gordonsville, Virginia




## etter English lass, A. H. S.

The 10C Better English Club held its regular meeting March 16 at the English period. The president, Jeanne Cheatham, called the meeting to order and the minutes of the last meeting were read by Phyllis Paulette and Ruby Meeks chose sides and had a very interesting quiz, and afterwards a spelling match. The meeting was adjourned until April 6.

—Dorothy Martin, Reporter.

A Jewish brigade is operating with British forces in Italy.

Reds pushing drive in direction of Vienna.


**Hats and Gloves**

thoroughly cleaned and restored to original shape. Like new.

FOR MR. CLARK WILL CALL

**Crutchfield's**

CLEANERS and DYERS

LYNCHBURG, VA.



*Quality is Economy*

**Buckingham Flippin**

918 MAIN ST. LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA



THE GENERAL SAYS:

FIND OUT IF THE MAN WHO INSPECTS YOUR TIRES CAN REPAIR THEM, TOO

**Lynchburg Garage**

General Tire Distributors

900 Church St., Lynchburg, Va.

OFFICIAL GOVT TIRE INSPECTORS

The GENERAL TIRE



**Agriculture In the News**

By W. J. Dryden

**FACTS ON MILK**

Four and one-half million farms produce milk. The annual supply in the U. S. would fill a river 3,000 miles long, 40 feet wide, and 2½ feet deep.

The dairy industry annually supplies 15,000,000 pounds of casein used in casein paint. A paste from milk fermented is used by Soviet doctors to bring about rapid healing of wounds. It is also used in making fiber and plastics, also a wool substitute.

Clean Milk

Penicillin, in mass production, was made possible by use of casein.

Pasteurized milk will prevent the spread of undulant fever. It is the most complete food and the most perishable. Hippocrates prescribed milk in 360 B. C. to build health. Milk exposed to sun for two hours will lose 20 per cent of its vitamin G content.

Milk can be rendered sterile by filtering through sand.

**Feed Cattle Corncobs**

Instead of burning corncobs to get rid of them, Ohio State university specialists are urging that they be saved and fed to beef cattle. With a shortage of feed possible before the end of next year, much of the needed roughage may be furnished by the corncob.

Many farmers find it advisable to grind the whole corn, cob and all, using a coarse grind. Some report that it takes a little encouragement before the cattle will eat the corncob.


## "GAY GADGETS"

Associated Newspapers—WNU Features.

*By NANCY PEPPER*

**Big Boom in Belts**

**If you like to make your own gadgets (and who doesn't) here are some tricky belt ideas to get to work on right away. No need to tell you that belts are back in a big way, is there?**

**Walnut Winner** — String walnut shells together for a casual sports belt. Shine them up with colorless nail polish.

**Lights Out**—Clip those bicycle reflectors (from the dime store) to your belt and you'll set a shining example for the rest of the gang to follow.

**No Missing Links** — Have you collected so many friendship links that you don't know what to do with them? Just string them on a piece of velvet ribbon long enough to tie around your waist, or, if you prefer sew them on a suede belt.

**Felt Belt and Bag**—Any gal can make her own belt out of felt. Make a matching change or cosmetic purse to hang on in front as a fob. Did you see this belt in leather, pictured in Calling All Girls?

**Worth a Darn**—Have you ever seen those braided strips of multi-color darning cotton they sell at the notion counter of your favorite five and dime? Tie them around your waist as belts.

**Domino Darlings** — String dominoes together to make a belt. Drill holes in them, or easier still, screw little hooks into each one and twist the yarn or leather thongs around the hooks.

**Harpy Huddles**

Unless that fellow's on a furlough, you're apt to be W.A.D. (Without A Date, junior). What do you do then? Mope around, mooning to his favorite platter or do you get together with the gals for a HARPY HUDDLE? Come on, now, brush yourself off that shelf and discover that a female forum can be fun, too.

**Kitchen Kut-ups**—Invite the gals over for a kitchen dinner. Have everything ready and pitch in on the cooking. Even dish washing is fun when you make a party out of it.

**Fortune Telling**—The latest diversion for a Hen Roost is the Ouija board. Turn the lights down low, play some sweet-and-low stuff on the phonograph and the spirits will spell out the name of the boy who's going to ask you to the first class dance.

**Flicker Fans**—Aren't we all movie mad? Lots of gals get together for movie magazine parties. Each girl brings a magazine and the crowd looks through them together. It's fun to trade pictures if you're a collector.

## Yank General Presents 'Monty' Famed Insignia

WESTERN FRONT. — Field Marshal Montgomery, visiting the famous 104th American infantry division, expressed admiration for the unit's shoulder insignia, the head of a timberwolf.

"Give me your pen knife," said Maj. Gen. Terry Allen, divisional commander.

He snipped off his own shoulder patch and gave it to Montgomery.

## Centenarian Plus

On his 113th birthday Max Co'en of Denver smoked his pipe and read his paper as he has for almost a century. Occasionally he takes a drink, he admits, but doesn't claim that this is the secret of his longevity. And life almost everyone else, he dislikes Hitler. "That guy is a bandit," says Max.


**Minute Make-Ups**

By GABRIELLE

Do you know that a fingertip massage is essential before a shampoo? This awakens the scalp circulation and a healthy scalp produces beautiful hair. Do you know that an egg shampoo is perfect for softening dry, brittle hair? Do you know that a mixture of lemon juice and peroxide will bleach badly stained fingernails? Use equal portions of lemon and peroxide and allow it to remain on the nails overnight.

Ledger Syndicate—WNU Features.


Over 1,100 gallons of milk per day now coming to the milk receiving station at Appomattox.

In its wartime activities for 1942 the United States used more wood than steel.

This paper is being sent all over the world to those in the service.

## American Observer Says 2 Million Starve in Italy

NEW YORK. — Howard B. Barr, assistant to Myron C. Taylor, President Roosevelt's personal envoy to the Vatican, said recently that 2 million persons are starving in Italy.

Barr, recently returned from Naples, said in an interview at the national headquarters of American Relief for Italy, Inc., that 27 million others are on sparse rations that amount to about five slices of bread daily.

Many towns, he said, have not a single building standing, and women and children live in rubble and sleep on straw pallets. Much land has been made too dangerous to till or harvest because of mines that the Allies have not had a chance to clear.


**Life's Like That**

By FRED NEHER

"What do you mean . . . just ignore him!?"

## Glendale News

Glendale, March 22.- Pfc. Calvin Ray Ferguson, of Camp Wheeler, Georgia has been on a 10-day visit to his home people. He returned to camp Wednesday.

Mrs. Allen Nash, who underwent an operation at the Virginia Baptist Hospital, is improving and expects to return home in a few days.

Mrs. Ollie Hammock is on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Marshall and daugh ers, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Howerton and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nash and son visited in the home of Mr and Mrs. E. W. Marshall.

We are glad to hear that Albert Franklin, who was wounded in France, is now back in a hospital on this side.

Misses Beulah Cheatham and Alma Nash, of Lynchburg, spent the week-end with their home people.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Torrence and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Torrence, of Lynchburg, visited Mr. and Mrs. Norman Cheatham recently.

Mrs. Edward Cheatham is on a visit to her parents, while her husband is in the service.

We are sorry to hear of the death of Mrs. T. W. Evans, which occurred last Friday.

W. R. Franklin continues ill at his home near here.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Cheatham and son, of Williamsburg visited Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Cheatham recently.

### NEWS FROM PHILLIPS SECRETARIAL COLLEGE

The Phillips Secretarial College student body gave a party in honor of the college's two girls basketball teams Thursday night at the college building. Decorations followed the Easter motif.

The two teams closed the 1945 basketball season on Wednesday night at the Y. W. C. A with the undergraduate team winning. The undergraduate team honored includes: Mozelle Belcher, Dan Rivers, Lola Brumfield, Callands; Harriet Easley, Callands; Evelyn Farmer, Virginia; Elizabeth Fuller, Eagle Rock; Helen Mitchell, Appomattox; Myrtle Parsons, Scottsburg; Catherine Snow, Java; Jean Vassar, Gladys; and Wanda Wall, Brookville.

### PALM SUNDAY

There was a cooing dove,
Felling of Jesus' love.
The children dropped flowers at His feet,
When the donkey walked through the street.
He rode through the gate,
Tho' it was getting late.
The children sang.
The bells rang.
'Tis Jesus of Nazareth.
He came to the earth to conquer all evil things.
Now He is known as King of Kings.

—"Buddy" Garrett, age 10.

In number of workers employed, the wood products industry is second to the textile industry, and in value of finished product it is surpassed only by the cigarette industry.

The farmers of Virginia use large quantities of wood for fence posts, fuel, hay crops and other every-day needs. Just to care for the tobacco crop requires nearly 40,000 cords of wood annually.

Big league baseball teams are getting ready for opening of another season. Clubs short-handed.

Farmers have about caught up with seasonal work.

## *Belgians Victims Of Nazi Tortures*

### *British Army Report Tells of Brutal Treatment.*

TWENTY-FIRST ARMY GROUP HEADQUARTERS, WESTERN FRONT.—An official British army report revealed the details of fiendish tortures inflicted on men and women in eight low country concentration camps by the Germans during the occupation.

Most of the victims were Belgian civilians, and hundreds freed by liberating armies made sworn statements which were carefully documented in the report of more than 70 pages.

Accompanying the report were photographs of a torture chamber and instruments used at the Breendonk camp, where at least 350 persons were believed executed and another 300 died agonizing deaths at the hands of their Nazi tormentors.

The investigatio also covered camps at Brussels, Charleroi, Ostracher, Limbourg, Bourg-Leopold, Antwerp and Liege, but the horrors of the windowless, stone torture chamber at Breendonk were perhaps the worst.

There the victims were stripped, handcuffed and beaten below the belt or the face with a truncheon or cat o' nine tails, hauled to the ceiling by a rope and pulley, beaten and dropped on the sharp edges of cunningly placed wooden blocks; lashed to a table and burned about the body with lighted cigar ends and electrically heated metal plates or needles; their fingers crushed in a special press.

In the floor of the chamber the Nazis had cut a drain to carry off the blood of the victims.

Prisoners were taken into the courtyard every day and forced to watch while their fellow captives were tortured. The most common punishment was 30 strokes on the bare back with a stick that flayed the flesh to pulp. The following day the victim of this treatment customarily was ordered to work all day carrying bricks.

## Yank Studies Off Duty; Betters U. S. Bombsight

LONDON.—Sgt. Sigmund Kramer, 29, Cleveland, Ohio, a bombsight maintenance man, has invented a valued bombsight attachment, it was announced recently.

Kramer, who studies calculus off duty, had heard fortress crews complain of having to make two runs over a target and getting punished the second time as enemy guns got their range. His invention, the altitude drum lock, prevents accidental movement of a knob on the bombsight by a bombardier's knee. With the altitude drum lock fixed, this risk is eliminated and flyers' lives are saved.

Kramer made the first model of his invention, which is used on all modern bombsights in the European theater of operations, from a piece of scrap metal. One of his first inventions was his name, Kramer, which he substituted for Krajewski when he was 21.

In 1940 the products of the wood-using industries of Virginia were valued at $184,000,000 and plant equipment at $58,000,000.


DON'T GRAZE COWS ON PASTURE TOO EARLY

Holding cows off pasture until the grass gets a good start this spring, is mightily important. And once it's time to graze the animals plans should be made for additional feed when grazing tapers off during the summer months.

Subscription rate: $1.50 a year, payable in advance.

RAF pounds Nazi rail centers.

PICK UP AND DELIVERY SERVICE TO APPOMATTOX

Tires left at McDearmon's Main Street Service Station, will be picked up on Wednesday and returned in one week.

**Need a LAXATIVE?**

Black-Draught is
1-Usually prompt
2-Usually thorough
3-Always economical

25 to 40 doses only 25¢

Get BLACK-DRAUGHT

CAUTION: USE ONLY AS DIRECTED



*J. C. Hudgins*

FUNERAL DIRECTOR AND EMBALMER

Appomattox, Va.

*Service within the means of all*

Phone: Day & Night 85



**AT YOUR SERVICE**

All business transactions should be conducted in a business-like manner.

May we suggest for SAFETY, ECONOMY and CONVENIENCE the services of our SPECIAL CHECKING ACCOUNT.

The size of your account is immaterial. You may open one with as little as $5.00. Do it today. We will be pleased to serve you.

A GOOD BANK - IN A GOOD TOWN - FOR EVERYBODY

**The Bank of Appomattox**

MEMBER F. D. I. C.